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January 29, 2007

**MEMORANDUM**

**TO:** State Board of Education

**FROM:** Michael P. Flanagan, Chairman 

**SUBJECT:** Resolution Honoring Marleen M. Higbee

Attached is a draft resolution honoring Marleen M. Higbee, a Michigan Department of Education employee. Ms. Higbee is retiring from the Office of Professional Preparation Services.

It is recommended that the State Board of Education adopt the resolution honoring Marleen M. Higbee, as attached to the Superintendent's memorandum dated January 29, 2007.

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**RESOLUTION**

**MARLEEN M. HIGBEE**

WHEREAS, Marleen M. Higbee began working for the State of Michigan in 1980, working in the Michigan Department of Labor beginning in March 1980 and then transferring to the Michigan Department of Management of Budget in July 1982; and

WHEREAS, Marleen began her tenure with the Michigan Department of Education in 1983 in the Office of Teacher Certification (now known as the Office of Professional Preparation Services); and

WHEREAS, Marleen, as a Departmental Analyst in the Office of Professional Preparation Services, evaluated and approved the renewal of Professional Education certificates, Occupational Education certificates, School Psychologist certificates and School Counselor licenses for teachers across the State of Michigan; and

WHEREAS, Marleen, in this capacity has issued the renewal of as many as 8,000 certificates over a one-year period for Michigan teachers, school psychologists and school counselors; and

WHEREAS, Marleen, advised educational personnel, school districts, teacher preparation institutions, and professional organizations in regard to certification requirements and renewal procedures; now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED, That the State Board of Education expresses its deepest appreciation and gratitude to Marleen M. Higbee for the dedication she has shown throughout her career at the Michigan Department of Education; and be it finally

RESOLVED, That the State Board of Education wishes Marleen M. Higbee a retirement that holds satisfying and fulfilling experiences and accomplishments.